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1. Introduction

DTLINEN was initiated as a subproject of OKDETON on 1 May 1949 to subsidize, on a limited basis, the Kampfgruppe gegen Unmenschlichkeit. In August 1949 it was established as an independent project increasing the financial support of the Kampfgruppe for the duration of fiscal year 1950. Was allocated for the continuation of the project through fiscal year 1951.

Amendment Proposal

For a period of 6 months beginning 1 August 1950, it is proposed to grant an additional monthly subsidy of DM 15,000 to the Kamfgruppe to expand its network and other operational facilities. This additional money will be drawn from _____ which has previously been trans-ferred to the Chief OPC German Mission.

3. Discussion

- a. Prior to the first of May 1950 the activities of the Kampf-gruppe were primarily in the fields of information and propaganda, assembling and publicizing as complete documentation as possible on concentration camps and general conditions in the Soviet zone. These early activities are set forth in some detail in the original project outline for DTLINEN.
- b. During the OPC preparations for activities to counter the Soviet-inspired May Day and Whitsuntide rallies in Berlin, the activities of the Kampfgruppe shifted from gathering information to the distribution of propaganda material and other more active tasks. The group made a substantial contribution to the effectiveness of OPC operations to harrass the Berlin rallies specifically, and to attack communist targets in East Germany generally. In this period the Kampfgruppe developed a distribution network which, at the height of the Whitsuntide Rally included as many as 500 agents. This network has gradually been reduced in strength somewhat but its effectiveness has demonstrated the desirability of retaining a portion of the network for future operations.
- c. Under the old concept of DTLINEN the Kampfgruppe relied almost entirely upon visitors from the Russian zone who volunteered to take back propaganda material and distribute it within the Russian zone. The Kampfgruppe did not have an organized distribution network and therefore had no overhead expenses in this connection. Restrictive measures introduced by the Russian zone authorities have made it

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increasingly difficult to use the normal traffic of Kampfgruppe informants for the introduction of propaganda material into the Russian zone. To circumvent these difficulties, the Kampfgruppe, in addition to maintaining its network, has established operational bases inside the Russian zone. Furthermore, it is intended to establish one major branch office and two smaller affiliated offices in Western Germany to gather and exploit information from political refugees who do not pass through Berlin. These additional offices will also serve as bases for the channeling of material into the Russian zone from Western Germany.

4. Conclusions

- a. The Kampfgruppe gegen Unmenschlichkeit has not only demonstrated its effectiveness for the original purposes set forth in DTLINEN, but has also proven its value for more active operations during and since the Communist demonstrations in May.
- b. The expansion of the Kampfgruppe network and facilities is deemed highly desirable.
- c. I funds have already been made available under authorization which permits the expenditure of for this purpose.

5. Recommendation

It is recommended that the OPC Project Board approve the expenditure of DM 100,000 _______ for the purposes cited above.

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